

FINGER PRINTS ARE IDENTIFIED

Only Few Minutes Required to Pick One From Seven Million

WASHINGTON, Mar. 11.—Finger print identification has been developed by the army to the point of efficiency where its application at times vies with the thrills of detective fiction. Any unidentified man who has served in the regular army can be located in from 10 to 20 minutes, and his full record laid bare. In that short time a searcher finds him among the more than 7,000,000 men who have been in the army since 1906, when the finger print system was introduced. He may have been one of the 50,328 Smiths, the 40,101 Johnsons, the 28,902 Browns, or one of the 27,938 named Williams. All army needs is his finger print to turn up his record.

Walter S. Kaye, in charge of the bureau, says the indexing has been worked out so efficiently that even a new clerk, one never before having had knowledge of the system, can begin work as a searcher with little preliminary instruction.

The science of finger print reading is based on the study of the various, circling network of all but invisible lines on the ball of the thumb and each finger. Examination of millions of specimens shows that the normal formation is the whorl, or the scroll which winds these lines from the outer edge in a gradually reducing circle to their termination at the core of the network. A majority of human beings are marked with this scroll, but there are others whose finger print lines run in flattened figures or in complicated combinations of figures far removed from the simple, easily read whorls. The first step in identification has to do with determining the broad general division in which the prints under examination are to be sought.

Four Main Groups
There are but four main groups or classifications of prints, arches, loops, whorls and composites. Each type has its gradational cases. The whorls have 1,024 values or combinations and the loops, arches and



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ENGLAND EATS MANY APPLES

Fruit Campaign Has Diverted Business from Meat Shops of London

CORN ON COB THERE

LONDON, March 11.—An "eat more fruit" campaign throughout England has recently brought the American apple into more prominence than it ever has enjoyed heretofore. The fruit is now being sold in the groceries and the luxury shops, and from push carts in the streets of London.

Canadian Fruit
The campaign has brought to the fore also the American apple's neighbor, the Canadian apple, but in most cases the product of Oregon and Washington appear to be a favorite. American apples retail here at a few cents a pound more than they do in cities of the United States.

In addition to American cranberries, Florida and California grape fruit and oranges, various other fruits from the other side of the Atlantic, Americans in London this winter have enjoyed the privilege of being able when they were willing to pay the price, to treat themselves to fresh corn on the cob, at about one shilling the ear. The corn, in the husk, has full white grains and is imported in barrel lots from South Africa. It has much the same appearance as the corn from America, excepting that the ears, perhaps, are a trifle longer and more slender.

Insult to Butchers
Butchers are far from happy over the efforts to popularize the eating of fruit. Boosters for the apple recently set going a song, "Don't eat mutton, don't eat lamb," which made them particularly wrathful. In complaints to various official sources they described the song as an insult to the trade, and retaliated with another composition extolling "beef for brawn and brains."

IRELAND TO ABOLISH MANY DRINKING SHOPS

Half the Number Likely to go Following Report of Commission

DUBLIN, Mar. 11.—The Free State government has appointed a commission of nine persons to inquire into the excess in the number of drink shops. There are more than 15,000 in the 26 counties. Some small towns have as many as 70 shops where drink is sold. It is agreed that at least half the number should be abolished, and the work of the commission is to find out what scale of reduction should be adopted.

As in England, which has seen a large reduction in the number of drink shops, the problem of compensating the dispossessed

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KICKS AT HAVING TO PAY SO MANY CALLS

Merchants are Often Sore but Here is One Who Lets off More Steam than Usual

Merchants of Prince Rupert can appreciate what it means to get sore at the continual calls made upon them for help to various organizations and for taxes on everything they possess. Sometimes they protest. Here is a protest made by an oppressed one during the later days of the war which still to a large extent expresses what many feel: "Assessment Department. "Dear Sir—For the following reasons I am unable to send you my income return for at least ten days from this date. "I have been held up, held down, sandbagged, walked on, sat on, flattened out and squeezed. First by the dominion for federal income tax, the excess profit tax, and for Victory Bonds, thrift and luxury tax, capital stock tax, merchants' licenses and auto tax, and by every society and organization the inventive mind of man can invent to extract what I may or may not possess. "From the Society of St. John the Baptist, the G.W.V.A., the G.A.U.V., the Women's Relief, the Navy League, the Red Cross, the Black Cross, the Purple Cross and the Double Cross, the Y.M.C.A., the Y.W.C.A., the Boy Scouts, the Jewish Relief and every hospital in town. Then on top comes the Associated Charities.

"The government has so governed my business that I don't know who owns it. I am inspected, suspected, examined and re-examined, informed, required and commanded, so I don't know who I am, where I am, or why I am here. All I know is, I am supposed to be an inexhaustible supply of money for every known need, desire or hope of the human race, and because I will not sell all I have and go out and beg, borrow or steal money to give away, I have been cussed, discussed, boycotted, talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, hung up, robbed and nearly ruined, and the only reason I am clinging to life is to see what in h— is coming next. Yours truly,

CANADIAN FOXES ARE BRED IN GREAT BRITAIN

Farms Have Been Started in Scotland and Down in Oxfordshire

LONDON, Mar. 11.—British farmers are watching with much interest the experiments which are being made here in an effort to make silver fox farming in England a paying proposition. Farms have been started at Ainess in Scotland, and Oxfordshire and Bexhill-on-Sea. What effect this move will have on the price of silver-fox fur in Great Britain cannot at present be stated, but it has been proved during the last 15 years that the best and most costly examples of the silver fox are those of animals bred in captivity. The foxes have been brought here from Canada.

THAT'S DIFFERENTIAL

A man who had just started to drive a car was accosted by a friend who asked him for a lift. They soon found themselves in a crowded thoroughfare. The friend said: "Jim, your engine is knocking badly." "Don't be a fool," was the reply. "That's my knees."

Were the "Good Old Days" Really Good?

WHEN you hear an old-timer sigh for the days of his forefathers, smile quietly to yourself and think of this.

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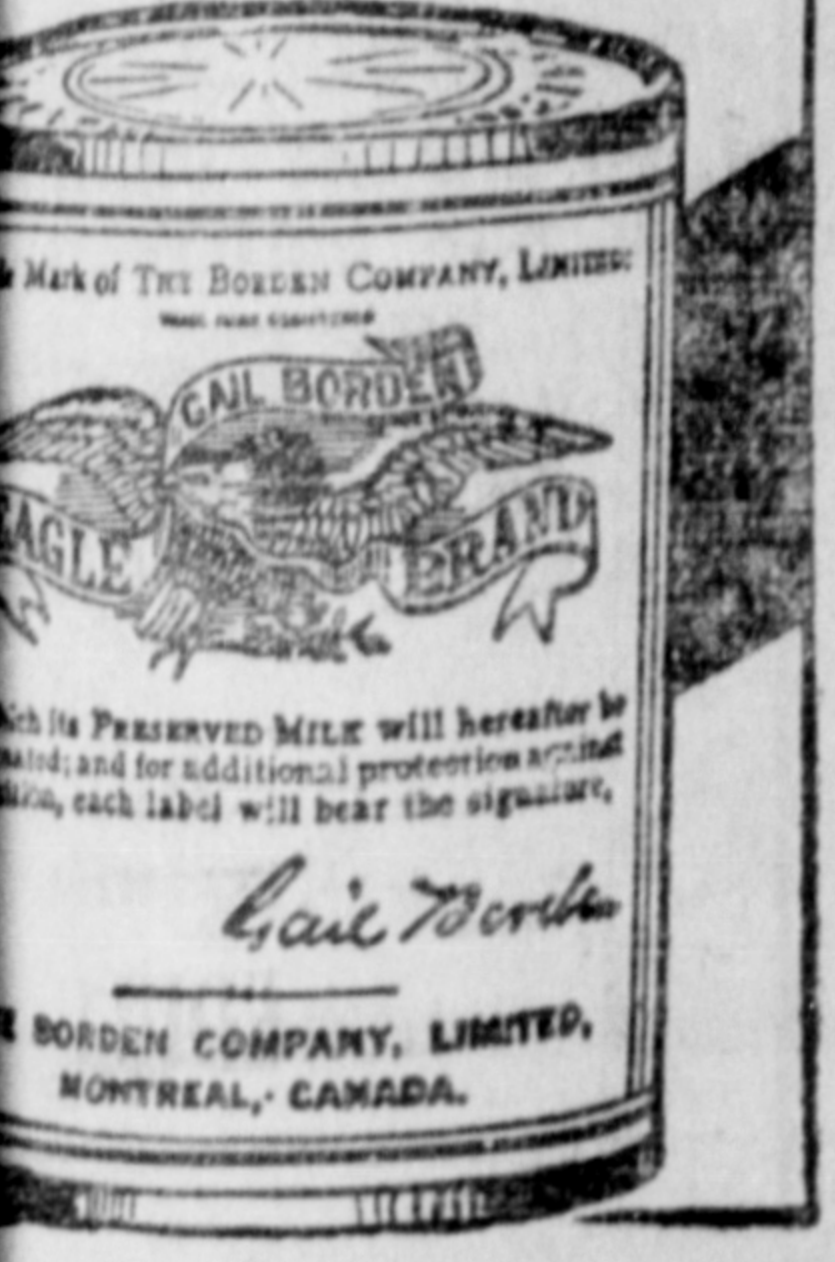
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has to be faced. The report of the commission is intended to form the basis of future legislation.

JEW'S SUPPORTING LEAGUE OF NATIONS

Palestine Society Formed at Suggestion of Brussels Organization

JERUSALEM, March 11.—The Jews of Palestine, whose political status in the national home is safeguarded by the League of Nations mandate entrusted to Great Britain, are being organized as supporters of the League.

A meeting was called recently in response to a suggestion from headquarters of the League of Nations Union in Brussels to organize a Palestine society for the support of the League. The conference was attended by leading Jewish residents, including the editors of the Hebrew press, and it was decided to proceed with the formation of a Jewish League of Nations Society.

THREE HUNDRED YEARS IMPRISONMENT MADRID

MADRID, Spain, Mar. 11.—An official of the municipal corporation of Bejar, a town near Salamanca, has been sentenced to imprisonment for periods aggregating 308 years. The man was accused of falsifying public documents, and his punishment was fixed by the law courts of Bejar at a little under 15 years imprisonment, for each of 21 counts, with a fine of \$150.

The same court not long ago sentenced a former mayor to a series of terms of imprisonment totaling 396 years and 27 1/2 days. Both men have begun serving their jail sentences.